



February 9, 2025

**We, Blessed Sacrament Parish, are a Christ-Centered Community,
Committed to Worship the Father, Committed to Respond to the Spirit's Gifts,
Committed to Loving Service to All God's People.**

Mass Times & Intentions

Day	Date	Time		Intention
Saturday	02/08	4:00pm	+	Jerry Roy by John & Mary Ellen Providenti
Sunday	02/09	9:00 am		People of Our Parish
		11:30 am	+	Bevin Kiser by Natalie & Jim Zellers
Monday	02/10			
Tuesday	02/11			
Wednesday	02/12	Noon	+	Irene Zellers by Jim & Natalie Zellers
Thursday	02/13	Noon		Blessings for Catherine and Steven Bowyer
Friday	02/14	Noon	+	Jeanne Heagle by Joan Fernandes
Saturday	02/15	4:00 pm	+	Jerry Roy by Mary Ellen & John Providenti
Sunday	02/16	9:00 am	+	Mildred and John Graboski
		11:30 am		People of Our Parish

We Remember in Our Prayers

Barbara Baldy, Barbara Breese, Bo Burdette, Genevieve Chmellik, Mary Cole, Elizabeth Coleman, Matthew Crabtree, Juanita Diehl, Joe Eisel, Marietta Fenton, Bob Galloway, Mary Gargarella, Dante Geronilla, Joe Gregg, Jane Ann Grishaber, Brad Grishaber, Bob & Kathleen Groom, Mary Lou Hammock, John & Arlene Hanna, Gary Hoskins, Rob Hrezo, Claire Johnson, Linda Lynch, Louann Lynch-Kelley, Alec Mansfield, Keith Morgan, Diane Roberts, Bradley Smith, Pat Walker, Sandy Wheeler, Kevin Whelan and the Urecki family

This Week at Blessed Sacrament

Hygiene Sunday / Souper Bowl of Caring

Saturday, February 08

- **Men's Bible Sharing**- 9:00am in Room 5
- **Reconciliation** - 3:00pm to 3:30pm in the Reconciliation Room

Sunday, February 09

- **Faith Formation for Students** - 10:15am to 11:15am
- **Adult Faith Formation** – 10:15am to 11:15am
- **Community Garden Meeting** after the 11:30am Mass in the Parish Hall

CANCELLED DISMAS CLUB MEETING

Although the Dismas Club ordinarily meets on the second Sunday of the month, since this month it conflicts with the Super Bowl, there will be no meeting in February. We will hold the next meeting in conjunction with the next pancake breakfast on March 2.

Monday, February 10

- **OCIA Meeting** - 6:00pm to 8:00pm in the Parish Hall
- **Pastoral Council** - 6:00pm to 8:00pm in Room 2

Tuesday, February 11

- **BSP Lyres Club in the Worship Space** – 5:30pm to 6:30pm

Wednesday, February 12

- **Bible Study** – 10:00am to 11:00am in Room 5
- **GriefShare Workshop** – 6:30pm to 8:00pm in Room 2
- **Bible Sharing** – 6:30pm to 8:00pm in Room 5
- **Study Guide:** <https://blessedsacramentwv.org/download/bible-share-02-12-25/?wpdmdl=2245&refresh=67a40492aee771738802322>
- **Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85136740699?pwd=Q2pXLzdzZFdNNU1NajVpeEtKU0hJQT09>

Thursday, February 13

- **Youth Meeting at Church** - 5:00pm to 6:00pm
- **Bells Rehearsal** – 6:00 – 7:00pm
- **Choir Rehearsal** – 7:00 – 8:00pm

Friday, February 14

Saturday, February 15

- **Men's Bible Sharing**- 9:00am in Room 5
- **Reconciliation** - 3:00pm to 3:30pm in the Reconciliation Room

Sunday, February 16

- **Faith Formation for Students** - 10:15am to 11:15am
- **Adult Faith Formation** – 10:15am to 11:15am

Blessed Sacrament Parish Online Giving Portal

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/bspwv>



Thank you for your generosity.

A Note of Farewell

In last Sunday's Gospel we heard of Simeon and Anna, two elderly people of deep faith and abiding humility who met Jesus, Mary, and Joseph when Jesus was 40 days old. While we rightly focus on the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple, it is important to remember that Simeon and Anna are worthy of our admiration and imitation.

One of the gifts of priesthood for me is having the chance to meet and work with people like Connie Jarzynski and Jim Scharf who remind me the two figures Saint Luke identified. Jim and Connie have been parishioners for a many years. Many of us who were privileged to know them will miss their many gifts which they so willingly shared. Jim was involved with Cursillo and a weekly Ultreya Group. Connie took care of candles used at Mass. Both participated in Bible Study and Sharing Groups as well as countless opportunities to learn more about our Catholic Faith. Kindly remember Connie and Jim in your prayers today and consider sending a letter or card to them.

Connie Jarzynski
c/o Christine Compton
7013 Beagle Court, Hamilton, OH 45011

Jim Scharf
860 Seminole Blvd., Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

Time is running out to complete the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey in order to strengthen Blessed Sacrament Parish and better prepare us for the future! We need your perspective as a parishioner as we work to identify our greatest strengths and opportunities. Complete the survey today and help our church community thrive! Click on the link now to complete the survey. The deadline is February 11.

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/x1a236>

We will have prayer quilts for Marietta Fenton and Mary Burriss this weekend. They will be available for prayers and knot tying after all 3 Masses.



Prayer Quilt Ministry

This ministry began in 2010. Over 150 quilts have been given to parishioners or members of their families in the past 14 years. Friendship teams and families might find this is a fun and prayerful activity to adopt.

Most of the quilts are assembled by tacking. It requires basic sewing skills that can be learned through any number of YouTube videos. Blessed Sacrament can purchase/reimburse the cost of sewing materials.

Please let us know if you would like to learn more about this ministry by contacting Erica Bartholow: 304-657-9809 or ebartholow90@gmail.com

New Safety Measures for Our Church

On Monday, **February 10th**, we will begin keeping our building locked during the week.

*****(See exceptions below.)**

Why are we doing this?

We often have volunteers and staff working on their own in various parts of our building during the week. We also have groups who meet here in the evenings. We can improve their safety by limiting access to only those people who have a legitimate need to be in our building.

***Exceptions

Wednesdays - Our building will be unlocked from 9:00am - 3:00pm

Noon Masses (not on Wednesdays) - Our building will be unlocked from 11:00am - 1:00pm

Lunch Bunch - Our Building will be unlocked from 9:00am - 3:00pm

And other times as needed.

How does this system work?

Individuals who need to come in (at a time when the building is locked) can ring a doorbell/camera at our north entrance. Staff members can see and speak with the individual before letting them in.

Questions/Comments/Additional Security Ideas?

Please share these with Father Paul (pjw424@gmail.com) or drop a note in our suggestion box in the gathering area.



Sunday, February 9th - Community Garden Meeting after 11:30 Mass (weather permitting)

Join us in the parish hall for the Community Garden Committee meeting on Sunday, February 9, after 11:30 Mass to get an update and discuss the next steps. Phase 1 of our community garden project is complete, and we're excited to share details about Phase 2, which depends on your donations and input. Together, we can create a vibrant garden space for everyone—thank you for your continued support!

Small Faith Community Gathering

There is a new small faith community coming together within our parish. Ruth Conrad will hold the first meeting at her home near Corridor G on Wednesday, **February 12 at 7pm**. We invite anyone who might be interested to join us for an evening of fellowship and conversation." We will use the coming weekend's reading as a starting point for any reflection anyone wants to share. **Please email Ruth** at ellenseton54@gmail.com to let her know you'd like to come and get directions.

“Lord, help us be mindful.”



The Souper Bowl of Caring began in 1990 with a simple prayer, prayed by Rev. Brad Smith at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, South Carolina:

"Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat."

22 churches raised \$5,700 in that first year. Since its inception, over 305,000 schools, businesses, and congregations of all faiths have raised more than \$198 million in monetary and food donations. Last year, 2,336 groups gave over \$4.4 million of monetary donations and 771,915 pounds of food to local charities.

This weekend and the weekend of the Big Game, the youth of Blessed Sacrament invite you to bring cans of soup, boxes of crackers, and/or virtual soup (\$1 = 1 can) donations to help our brothers and sisters who are hungry in West Virginia.

You can root for your favorite team, **the Kansas City Chiefs** or **the Philadelphia Eagles**, or you can root for **the commercials** by placing donations on your team's table in the Gathering Space.



Thank you for helping us live out the principles of Catholic Social Teaching, especially #2: Call to Family, Community, and Participation and #4: Option for the Poor and Vulnerable.

Did you pick up this vest by mistake after the Epiphany Concert?

It was a retirement gift to Heather White's dad, and he'd love to get it back. **Please check your closet**, and if you find it, let Heather or Mary Odin know. It will be much appreciated!



February 20

Dear Friends,

Please join us for Lunch Bunch on Thursday, February 20th, following noon Mass. Our menu this month is homemade chicken pot pie, and the salads, side dishes, and desserts that you may choose to bring. We also welcome door prize donations and help with clean up!

Most importantly, feel free to bring a friend or family member.

Thank you,
Kathy Monahan and
the Lunch Bunch Team



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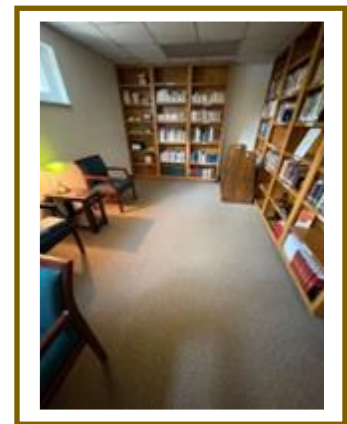
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Welcome to the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church Library!
We exist to serve you, our Parish Patrons.

The Library is open for business in Room 6! Children's books are in the process of being outfitted with a "pocket" card so that our youngest patrons (or their parents) can check out a book more easily.

In January we are highlighting Sacraments:

- *7 Secrets of Confession* by Vinny Flynn
- *My First Holy Communion* by Melissa Nussbaum
- *Our Daily Bread* by Ralph Wright
- *The Lamb's Supper* by Scott Hahn



The Blessed Sacrament Library contains books, CDs, and DVDs that reflect a strong catholic emphasis. Questions? Comments? Just email me at BSCCLibrary@proton.me. John C. Priestley II



At Give Trees Online, we are dedicated to commemorating loved ones and special causes along with recognizing the profound impact of trees on our planet. Partnering with the Arbor Day Foundation, we provide a heartfelt opportunity to celebrate memories and mark special occasions by planting trees in needed locations for reforestation aims.

Our primary objective at Give Trees Online is to raise funds for the selected charity or church through tree planting. The majority of your purchase goes directly to the selected cause (Blessed Sacrament) enabling us to support their mission effectively. We only retain a small percentage to cover the costs of planting trees, as well as managing the website.

To support Blessed Sacrament (all funds raised will go to our Garden Project), click here: <https://blessedsacramentwv.givetrees.online/cause/give-a-tree/>
or click on the QR code:



LENTEN BOOK STUDY

Do You Love Me?

A Practical Guide to Catholic Prayer & Spirituality
facilitated by John Shawler

SUNDAY MORNINGS 10:15 am - 11:15 am

In our School Room 2

February 23	—	Searching
March 02	—	Pancake Breakfast
March 09	—	Recognizing
March 16	—	Experiencing
March 23	—	Conversing
March 30	—	Following
April 06	—	Choosing



Do You Love Me? is a short booklet created by the Catholic Bishop's Conference of England and Wales. It uses the Resurrection Appearance in John 21:1-22 to explore the treasure of Catholic Prayer and Spirituality. Copies of the Booklet will be available.

Read one chapter *before* each session.
Reflect on what you have read.
Write answers to a few questions.
Be prepared to share your thoughts, experiences, and ideas.

This is a wonderful opportunity to prepare yourself spiritually for Holy Week and Easter.

PLEASE REGISTER by signing a sheet of paper in the Gathering Space or online by emailing John Shawler johnshawler@gmail.com This is also available here on line —
<https://cbcew.org.uk/plain/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2018/11/do-you-love-me-2014.pdf>



Walter CATEchist at Work in our

Library at the end of the Hall on the 1st Floor of school. We have books dvd's and more about God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, the Church, prayer, saints, & more. Please check it out and check out something for home.



SAINT OF THE WEEK :

Saint Claude La Colombiere

February 15

Colombière was born in southern France and studied at a Jesuit school from an early age. He entered the Society of Jesus when he was 17. The French Jesuit's first assignment after tertianship was to be superior of a small community in Paray-le-Monial, where there was also a convent of cloistered Visitation sisters. One of them was Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque to whom God's presence in prayer was revealing a message of divine love.

Colombière became the confessor of the convent and Sr. Margaret's spiritual director. She opened her soul to him and told of the supernatural events taking place in her life. He had the insight to recognize this prayer as a real gift from God and a true revelation. Colombière did all he could to spread this devotion.

Colombière's time in Paray-le-Monial lasted only until October 1676 when he was assigned to be the preacher to the duchess of York in London.

The Jesuit was betrayed by a Frenchman who falsely denounced the Jesuit to the government in order to win a reward. Colombière was arrested and placed in a cold dungeon where his health rapidly deteriorated.

He was released after a month in prison, but the damage was done. He returned to France and slowly headed south, stopping frequently when weakness overtook him. He continued to preach about the Sacred Heart, but his own health did not improve so superiors sent him back to Paray-le-Monial in 1681. Although he loved the place dearly, he could not recover. In early February 1682, a fever took him; when he died on Feb. 15, he was only 41 years old. Saint Claude is a Patron Saint of toy makers and to Devotion to the Sacred Heart.

source: <https://www.jesuits.global/saint-blessed/saint-claude-la-colombiere/>

WHY I AM STILL CATHOLIC# 6

Why I am a Catholic? To begin with, my parents were Catholic. I was baptized, received First Communion, and was confirmed in Seattle. Though I did not attend Catholic schools after second grade, our family always attended Catholic churches.

When I decided on who I was going to marry, he was Congregational, so we were married in the Congregational Church. I attended church there, and all of my children were baptized and confirmed in the Congregational Church in Aurora, Illinois.

When I moved back to Seattle, after living twenty-six years in Aurora, I found that my life had changed from being a housewife and mother. I was now a working single woman with grown-up children. I realized I had options to decide for myself what my religion and spiritual life would be from now on.

One day I was near Seattle University having my car looked after. I had heard about the new St. Ignatius Chapel, so since I had some time, I went over to sit for a while in the Chapel. After seeing it, I began to go to Sunday Mass there. But I had also heard about Great Music for Great Cathedrals. I attended one performance and that decided me on trying out Mass at the Cathedral, and I kept going there. When I saw a card that talked about "Welcome Back," I signed up, and after that I never looked back. I realized that not only did I want to be, but I needed to be, a member of this Church to continue my spiritual journey.

And finally, I heard about the Cathedral Kitchen, and after five or six years volunteering there, I have learned what a blessed life I have lived. How grateful I am for becoming part of the community of servers as well as the community of people that are served there.

Why am I Catholic? The beauty of the Cathedral, everywhere you look is something special; the feeling of taking communion with so many others; Father Ryan and all the staff who make the Mass so meaningful and us so welcome; the unbelievable beauty of the choir's voices singing the liturgy, hymns, psalms; the organs; the Kitchen, where you become the servant of a great community; the RCIA, because you learn the depth of the Mass, and the call of Christ.

It makes for a great life—and I feel fortunate that I am living it.

— Mary Denney



Faith in Action of the Greater Kanawha Valley (FIAGKV) is a local nonprofit dedicated to helping seniors in Kanawha and Putnam counties sustain their independence and remain in their own homes as long as possible. They do this by providing transportation to medical appointments or the grocery store, running errands, making telephone reassurance calls or friendly visits, and more. They are a 100% volunteer driven organization, striving to make a difference neighbor to neighbor.

As an all-volunteer service organization, FIAGKV is always striving to grow its base of people willing to reach out to help, neighbor to neighbor. FIAGKV volunteers have the flexibility to select assignments that fit their schedules and interests. Whether they have two hours a week or two hours a month to offer, our volunteers have the opportunity to make a direct, positive impact on the lives of others every time they participate.

All FIAGKV volunteers are required to attend one Orientation session prior to serving.

We are pleased to be hosting a Volunteer Orientation Training here at Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday, February 26, from 6 – 7:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

For more information, call 304-881-7253, email info@faithinactiongkv.com or visit faithinactiongkv.com.

Protestants: we will use grape juice for communion because alcohol is bad for you
Catholics:





Calling all high schoolers:

Registration for the 2025 National Catholic Youth Conference is now open!

Those of us who went to Indianapolis in 2023 will tell you:
It is AMAZING to be with 10,000 other Catholic youth from all over the country!

NCYC is held every other year in Indianapolis and Long Beach, California,
and this fall is our year, in Indianapolis.

Here are some details:

- **Everyone** from Blessed Sacrament who is in **high school (grades 9-12)** is eligible. **Parents are invited to come**, too. There's plenty of worship and learning for all.
- **Registration AND hotel costs will be subsidized by the Diocese and the remainder completely covered by Blessed Sacrament.** Don't worry if you haven't been able to come to evening meetings of the Youth Group recently or at all--Fr. Paul wants everyone to be able to go! :)
- The dates are **November 20-22, 2025**. We'll leave Thursday morning for Indianapolis and return on Sunday afternoon.

The website below will give you an idea of what this year's NCYC will be like, but if you want to know how it felt to *experience* it, talk to any of us who went in 2023:

Katherine Dent and her mom, **Lee Ann**;
Mitchell Ferrell and his dad, **Roddy**;
Aidan Daugherty and his mom, **Chris**;
or **me, Mary Odin!**

If you're in high school, let Mary Odin know your plans by emailing her at wmodin@frontier.com.
Remember: This is for **EVERYONE** in high school,
even if you've never been able to come to Youth Group meetings before! :)



Most Reverend Mark E. Brennan

Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

cordially invites you
to the celebration of the

RED MASS

The annual Mass, calling on the Holy Spirit
to guide members of the local bar association,
members of the court, and other civil officials
in the administration of justice
and good government.

Thursday, February 20, 2025
6:00 p.m.

**Basilica of the Co-Cathedral
of the Sacred Heart**
*1032 Virginia Street East
Charleston, West Virginia*

A light reception will immediately follow
Parking is available at the parish lot
on Virginia Street East

In cooperation with the St. Thomas More Society in West Virginia, the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston announces the annual celebration of the Red Mass.

Historically the 'Red Mass' originated to mark the opening of the term for important courts and governmental bodies in medieval European capitals. More recently you may be familiar with the annual Red Mass celebrated each fall at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle in Washington D.C. and perhaps some of you attended the Red Masses held for years during the 90s and 2000s in Charleston (and then for a short time thereafter in Wheeling).

The celebration of the Mass is central to the Catholic faith, and the Red Mass fits within that tradition, but in particular the Red Mass is offered to call upon the Holy Spirit for wisdom, understanding, counsel and fortitude in the administration of justice and good government. Bishop Brennan has recently announced plans to hold the Red Mass again in 2025 on Thursday February 20, 2025, at 6:00 PM at the Basilica of the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Charleston. Please see the invitation below with additional information. We hope to see you on February 20.



Vacation Bible School


Sunday, July 20 to Thursday, July 24, 2025 from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Camp Leon

Sunday, June 15 through Saturday, June 21, 2025

31 Club this week *31 Club members commit to praying for vocations one day each month.*

Sun	02/09	Carolyn Frye
Mon	02/10	Jane Roy / Patricia Dever / Anne Dever
Tue	02/11	Joe Deegan / Tony O'Leary / Mary Pat Peck
Wed	02/12	Nancy McLaughlin / Victoria Russo
Thu	02/13	Mike Granata / Jeni Riser
Fri	02/14	Shelley Nason / Kathy Pojman / Heather Pilcher
Sat	02/15	Musilli Family

 <p>MANNA MEAL SO THE HUNGRY CAN EAT</p> <p>MANNA MEAL/KROGER PICK UP SCHEDULE</p>	FEBRUARY	
	February 11	Dennis Thornburg
	February 12	Kelley Endres
	February 18	Matt Leary
	February 19	Anne Davis
	February 25	Dennis Thornburg
	February 26	Kelley Endres

Liturgical Ministries – February 08 & 09

	4:00pm	9:00 am	11:30 am
Lectors	M P Peck	L Jennings	F Maramba
Altar Servers	C & V Stricker	E & N Simonton	R Brennan
Communion Principal	J McGarrity	P Musilli	J Knox
Eucharistic Ministers	N Zellers B Frame	B Sherrard A Bradley	C & P Council
Communion to the Sick		L Hayes B Sherrard A Bradley	
Greeters/Ushers	D Lewia J Providenti	N & D McLaughlin	R Norman A Sites

Liturgical Ministries – February 15 & 16

	4:00pm	9:00 am	11:30 am
Lectors	R DeBias	D Burgess	K Lester
Altar Servers	W Stella J Borman	M Mathias J Borman	F & P Maramba
Communion Principal	V Stricker	T Streit	C Frye
Eucharistic Ministers	D Lewia S Francis	C Wirts J Aluise	R Brennan C Frye
Communion to the Sick		D Elliott J Lilly T Aluise	
Greeters/Ushers	P & M Habenschuss	B Cornell D Elliott	Crane Family

A Response from the Leadership Conference of Women Religious to These Times

Tue, 2025-01-28 09:45 by asanders

Over the course of the last several years, we have watched with grave concern a global and national shift in values and priorities that is negatively impacting the health of the planet and the lives of millions of its most vulnerable inhabitants. Policies enacted by many governments, including our own in the United States, as well as choices being made by citizens, point to a rapid dismantling of values that we consider bedrock for the future of the global community.



During these years, we have continuously discerned how we, as women religious, can most effectively respond to these shifts. Recent changes in this nation point to a need for us to consider this question with great seriousness and to live our vocational call as women religious with a depth that may have never been required of us previously. The public proclamation each of us made at our profession of vows reminds us of our responsibility to be women of God living amid the deep challenges of the world – fearless of embracing and embodying the priorities of the Gospel.

What we are witnessing in society today goes against the principles that we, as Catholic sisters, have labored for centuries to nurture and protect. Recalling these beliefs is an important exercise for us as we are confronted with rhetoric that urges us to change course and actions that oppose our principles. These values, around which we have spoken publicly and that have guided our lives, include:

- The belief in the inherent right to life of all human beings and the dignity of each life
- The commitment to the Gospel demands of love, welcome, and care for all people, especially those who are most vulnerable
- The duty to welcome immigrants and provide care and aid to all in our land, while insisting on comprehensive immigration reform
- The responsibility to stand against violence in all its forms
- The commitment to dismantle systemic racism
- The belief that care of our planet Earth requires our attention and action
- Respect for the journey of all persons into the wholeness of their humanness
- The work to alleviate poverty in all forms

Staying steadfast to these principles in the face of powerful forces working towards contrary purposes may be one of the hardest challenges we will encounter – collectively and individually. The efforts to be the face of compassion and hope amid actions that create chaos and fear will not be easy. This is a time when we will need one another, and a time when we can lend our voices and our support to many of the organizations and people of faith who are laboring to bear witness to the dignity of each person.

We are now facing a time that differs in many significant ways from any previous period in which most of us have lived. Lives all around us are at stake. All evidence shows that we will be seeing an increase in moral violations.

In the time ahead, we will need to be women who stay informed, listen carefully to all voices and perspectives, and engage in serious and deep discernment to make wise choices so that we do not contribute hatred, fear, division, or violence to the world. Our decisions should lead us to become even more fully who we are called to be – bearers of love who refuse to relinquish our moral authority nor languish in despair. May we wholeheartedly embrace the call of the church to be people of hope and live this call with all our being for the sake of the world and its future.

Media inquiries should be directed to:

Sister Annmarie Sanders, IHM - LCWR Communications Director

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The West Virginia Institute for Spirituality is an ecumenical center for prayer and spiritual growth, located in the heart of the city of Charleston, West Virginia. Our ministry promotes spiritual life through silence, prayer, retreats, education, spiritual direction, and inter-faith dialogue. Presently, our calendar reflects the following:

Tears of Christ via Zoom

5-Week Group Prayer Experience on Wednesday evenings beginning March 12, 2025, from 7:00 – 7:45 p.m. via Zoom

The Tears of Christ is a collection of the insights and contemplative meditations of St. John Henry Newman. Spending time with this devotional text, will provide the participant an opportunity to meditate on His suffering, and discover a greater sense of Christ's presence in our own lives, as we journey through Lent, and prepare ourselves to recognize Christ's passion, death and resurrection. This experience can enable insight into our very own desires and yearnings to be disciples of Christ in the world. To register, visit www.wvis.org/programs.

19th Annotation Spiritual Exercises

St. Ignatius of Loyola, who created the 30-day Spiritual Exercises during the 16th century, knew even then that some people would not be able to take 30 days away from their regular responsibilities to make a 30-day retreat. The 19th Annotation (Retreat in Daily Life) is often done by individuals who work full-time or who have other life commitments (like children living at home). Learn more about the 19th Annotation by visiting the WVIS website (www.wvis.org) and clicking on Retreats/19th Annotation Retreat in Daily Life dropdown along the top of the page. You will find a list of spiritual directors who are offering the 19th Annotation Spiritual Exercises on this page. **WVIS Associate Spiritual Directors offer the 19th Annotation Spiritual Exercises in person and via Zoom.**

Contemplative Prayer via Zoom (Monday through Friday)

You are invited to join us each evening at 7:00 pm via Zoom for Contemplative Prayer. We are blessed to have a variety of individuals who volunteer to lead each evening. Prayer begins promptly at 7:00 pm when the leader opens with a brief chant followed by 20 minutes of silence. Sign up to receive the weekly reminders and the Zoom link. Come as often as you are able, it is always good to see those who attend.

Questions/ Register: email wvis_sally@aol.com

Thomas Merton Charleston West Virginia Chapter via Zoom (3rd Tuesday each month)

You are invited to join the Charleston, West Virginia chapter of the International Thomas Merton Institute on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 7:00 – 8:30 pm via Zoom. Each month, the group discusses recent material from the International Merton Society and/or information from the Book of Hours.

Questions/Register: email Father Bill Petro at frbpetro42@gmail.com



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Our parish office is open Monday and Wednesday-Friday from 9:00am to 3:00pm. The South entrance doors are unlocked during office hours.
 The North entrance doors are unlocked on days that there is a Mass.

Second Collections - cash, envelopes, or checks made out to Blessed Sacrament may be placed in a marked box in the Gathering Space.

 <p style="text-align: center;">Online Giving Portal</p>	 <p>Give Trees Online To support Blessed Sacrament (all funds raised will go to our Garden Project), click here: https://blessedsacramentwv.givetrees.online/cause/give-a-tree/ or click on the QR code:</p>
<p>Pastor: Rev. Paul Wharton E-mail: pjw424@gmail.com Cell Phone: 304-433-7472 (For emergencies only after 8:00pm)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Deacons</p> <p>Deacon Tony O’Leary - cell: 304-395-6208 / email: aoleary@dwc.org</p> <p>Deacon Tommy Ross – cell: 304-590-5003 / email: tross@dwc.org</p>
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How to Report Suspected Cases of Sexual Abuse of Children

The Diocese encourages reporting to civil authorities first and foremost if a crime has been committed. To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, you may also report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel or volunteers of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, by contacting one of the Bishop’s designees 1311 Byron St., PO Box 230, Wheeling, WV 26003 Fax: 304.233.4086 Phone 304.230.1504 at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. You may also visit www.dwc.org, under “Accountability” for additional reporting mechanisms.”